House File 2170 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 2170 BY KAUFMANN

(COMPANION TO LSB 5721SS BY DANIELSON)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to professional standards for the certification
- 2 or designation of music therapists and providing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 154G.1 Definitions.
- 2 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise
- 3 requires:
- 4 1. "Music therapist" means a person who holds one of the
- 5 following:
- 6 a. An active music therapist board-certified credential
- 7 granted by the certification board for music therapists.
- 8 b. A professional designation in good standing on the
- 9 national music therapy registry.
- 10 2. "Music therapy" means the clinical and evidence-based
- ll use of music interventions to accomplish individualized goals
- 12 for people of all ages and ability levels within a therapeutic
- 13 relationship by a music therapist.
- 14 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 154G.2 Practice or use of title.
- 1. A person shall not profess to be a music therapist or
- 16 board-certified music therapist or use the initials "MT-BC"
- 17 or any other words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia
- 18 indicating or implying that the person is a music therapist
- 19 unless the person holds and maintains the music therapist
- 20 board-certified credential granted by the certification board
- 21 for music therapists or is designated as a registered music
- 22 therapist, certified music therapist, or advanced certified
- 23 music therapist and is in good standing on the national music
- 24 therapy registry.
- 25 2. This chapter does not prohibit a person from using music
- 26 in the performance of the person's profession or occupation if
- 27 incidental to the person's profession or occupation and if the
- 28 person does not represent that the person is a music therapist.
- 29 3. A person who violates this section is guilty of a simple
- 30 misdemeanor.
- 31 EXPLANATION
- 32 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 33 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 34 This bill requires any person claiming to be a music
- 35 therapist to hold a music therapist board-certified credential

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- 1 granted by the certification board for music therapists or
- 2 a professional designation in good standing listed on the
- 3 national music therapy registry. A person who violates this
- 4 bill is guilty of a simple misdemeanor. A simple misdemeanor
- 5 is punishable by confinement for no more than 30 days or a fine
- 6 of at least \$65 but not more than \$625 or by both.